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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Rita G.
4 Fredenhagen Harvard of Naperville, who passed away on June 15,
5 2012; and

6 WHEREAS, Rita Fredenhagen Harvard was born on June 28,
7 1929, in Aurora, and was a lifelong resident of Naperville; she
8 was the daughter of the late Walter and Grace Fredenhagen; and

9 WHEREAS, Rita Fredenhagen Harvard attended Monmouth
10 College, where she earned her bachelor's degree in biology;
11 while at Monmouth College, she was inducted into the Mortar
12 Board Honor Society; and

13 WHEREAS, Rita Fredenhagen Harvard enjoyed being involved
14 in her community; she taught Sunday School at Grace United
15 Methodist church for 12 years and served 6 years as the Sunday
16 School Superintendent; she taught for 2 years in Dixon; she was
17 a member of a 3-member steering committee that planned and
18 designed the Grace United Methodist Church Building; she served
19 as the secretary/treasurer for the Prince Castles/Cock Robin
20 Companies from 1972 to 1985 and at the Naperville Creamery
21 Company from 1985 to 2000; she served as a volunteer at Edward
22 Hospital as a member of the Institutional Review Board for 10

1 years; she also served as a member of the Fire and Police Board
2 of Commissioners for 8 years; and

3 WHEREAS, Rita Fredenhagen Harvard was the first woman
4 president of the Rotary Club of Naperville and was selected as
5 Rotarian of the Year; she served as grand marshal of the
6 Naperville Labor Day Parade; she was also selected to be
7 included in the Marquis Who's Who of American Women; and

8 WHEREAS, Rita Fredenhagen Harvard was the recipient of
9 numerous awards, including the Gael Swing Award of Meritorious
10 Service from North Central College for involvement as a trustee
11 for 28 years, the Heritage Society Hall of Honor designation,
12 the Naperville chapter of the A.A.U.W. "Woman of the Year"
13 award, and the DuPage County YWCA Outstanding Woman of the
14 Year; she was also awarded with Lifetime Achievement Awards
15 from the Jaycees and the Chamber of Commerce; and

16 WHEREAS, Rita Fredenhagen Harvard was preceded in death by
17 her parents; her brother, James Fredenhagen; her sister, Jeanne
18 Fredenhagen Moen; and her stepson, Kent Harvard; and

19 WHEREAS, Rita Fredenhagen Harvard is survived by her loving
20 husband of 31 years, John Harvard; her daughters, Susan (Keith)
21 Kroskoz and Jodie (Dave) Anderson; her son, Tom (Laura)
22 Castagnoli; her stepdaughters, Kelly (Dean) Pelland and Kerry

1 (Preston) Irwin; her 8 grandchildren; her great-grandson; her 6
2 step-grandchildren; her 3 step-great-granddaughters; and her
3 brother, Ted Fredenhagen; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
5 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
6 we mourn, along with her family and friends, the passing of
7 Rita G. Fredenhagen Harvard; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
9 presented to the family of Rita Fredenhagen Harvard as an
10 expression of our sympathy.